

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

Amend the paragraph beginning on page 3, line 18 as follows:

A disc unit of one aspect of the present invention includes a head that records information onto ~~from~~ and/or reproduces information ~~onto~~ from a disc, a suspension that includes a top surface and a side surface, and supports the head on the top surface, a flexible printed circuit board attached to the side surface of the suspension through an air gap, the flexible printed circuit board transmitting a signal indicative of the information to and from the head, and a damper that damps oscillation of the flexible printed circuit board. According to this disc unit, the damper damps oscillation or vibrations of the flexible printed circuit board, and improves the positioning accuracy of the head.

Amend the paragraphs beginning on page 4, line 8 as follows:

A disc unit of another aspect of the present invention includes a head that records information ~~from~~ onto and/or reproduces information ~~onto~~ from a disc, and a flexible printed circuit board that transmits a signal indicative of the information to and from the head, the flexible printed circuit board having at least two layers, one layer of which damps vibration generated in the other layer. According to this disc unit, an additional layer in the two layers in the FPC may serve as the above damper.

A disc unit of still another aspect of the present invention includes a head that records information ~~from~~ onto and/or reproduces information ~~onto~~ from a disc, a suspension that supports the head and includes a circuit that is electrically connected to the head, a trunk flexible printed circuit board connected to the circuit of the suspension, the flexible printed circuit board transmitting a signal indicative of the information to and from the head, a main flexible printed circuit board, connected to the trunk flexible printed circuit, which includes a preamp IC that amplifies the signal, and a damper that damps oscillation of the trunk flexible printed circuit board. This disc unit uses a so-called short tail (wireless) suspension, a trunk FPC, and a main FPC. The damper damps oscillation of the flexible printed circuit board, and improves the positioning accuracy of the head. The trunk flexible printed circuit board may be connected to the circuit at a first junction, and the main flexible printed circuit board at a second junction, and wherein the trunk flexible printed circuit board may be fixed to the wireless suspension between the first and second junctions. A shape of this suspension is modified to reduce or eliminate an air gap with the trunk FPC and thus influence of vibration of the trunk FPC.

Amend the paragraphs beginning on page 5, line 4 as follows:

A disc unit of still another aspect of the present invention includes a head that records information ~~from~~ onto and/or reproduces information ~~onto~~ from a disc, a long tail type suspension that supports said head and includes a circuit that is electrically connected to the head, said suspension including a long tail part that transmits a signal indicative of the information to and from said head, a main flexible printed circuit board connected to the long tail

part of said long tail type suspension, said main flexible printed circuit board including a preamp IC that amplifies the signal, and a damper attached to the long tail part of said long tail type suspension. This disc unit uses a so-called long tail suspension, and a main FPC. The damper damps oscillation of the long tail of part of the suspension, and improves the positioning accuracy of the head. The long tail type suspension may be connected to the main flexible printed board by a flying lead or a soldering bump. The flying lead joints them using ultrasonic wave while exposing conductors.

A long tail type suspension of another aspect of the present invention that supports a head that records information ~~from~~ onto and/or reproduces information ~~onto~~ from a disc includes a circuit that is electrically connected to the head, the suspension serving as a trunk flexible printed circuit board connected to the circuit of the suspension, the flexible printed circuit board transmitting a signal indicative of the information to and from the head, the suspension being connected to a main flexible printed circuit board, connected to the long tail type suspension, which includes a preamp IC that amplifies the signal, and a damper that damps oscillation of the long tail type suspension.